# Washington County Farm Bureau 2024 Scholarship Guidelines

Washington County Farm Bureau is making four (4) - \$1,000 scholarships available to students who will be furthering in higher or continued education and to those who meet the qualifications listed below. **Recipients must also work a four-hour food stand shift during the July 2024 county fair** (exceptions may be made). Contact Mariann Gundrum at 262.483.5114 by **July 1.** 

## **Qualifications**

- Scholarships will only be awarded to students of families who have Washington County Farm Bureau memberships. Applicants 22 years of age or older must have their own membership.
- The scholarship may be used at any accredited technical school or university for continuing education in agriculture or an agricultural-related field.
- Considerations will be given to non-agricultural field related applications; however, preference will be given to those that are agriculturally related.
- The Scholarship Committee will base its selection upon:
  - o Extra curricular activities (4-H, FFA, school, community, full- or part-time employment).
  - o Two letters of recommendation.
  - o Transcript of high school grades (seniors).
  - o Transcript of higher or continued education grades (if applicable).
- Scholarships will be awarded at the recommendation of the Scholarship Committee. Recipients will be notified by May 10. A small awards presentation will be conducted on WTKM Radio on **Saturday**, **July 27**, during the Washington County Fair.
- If no worthy candidate is found, the Scholarship Committee reserves the right to withhold the scholarship(s).
- Payment of scholarships will be made to the recipient(s) after his or her first term of the current year and after he or she has submitted a copy of his or her semester grade transcript showing a 2.5 (C+) grade point average or better (due by **Friday, January 31, 2025**).

The application form must be filled out and submitted to the Scholarship Committee by Friday, April 26, along with your essay and two letters of recommendation\*.

\*References shall return their written recommendations to the Farm Bureau office in a sealed envelope. (Examples: 4-H leaders, principals, teachers/advisors, local community leaders, employers).

#### SEND COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:

Washington County Farm Bureau Attn.: Scholarship Committee 135 S. 6<sup>th</sup> Ave. West Bend, WI 53095

For additional forms: www.wfbf.com/countyfarmbureaus/washington

# Washington County Farm Bureau 2024 Scholarship Application Form

Submit by: Friday, April 26

Name
Address
Telephone number
Email address
Date of birth
Father's/legal guardian's name
Mother's/legal guardian's name
High school attended
Year in school (fall 2024)
Higher education attending
Which parent/legal guardian is a <b>Washington County Farm Bureau member</b> ?

## **Essay Shall Include the Following Information**

(three pages maximum)

- Your employment history/agricultural work experience.
- Extra-curricular activities you are involved in.
- Your honors, awards and recognitions.
- Why you have chosen to attend college/technical school and briefly describe your long- and short-term goals.
- Tell us about a course/class that has had a significant influence on you. (high school or college)
- Strengths/assets you have that you feel will contribute to your chosen profession.
- A short summary of a project/program in which Washington County Farm Bureau partakes in (other than the fair food stand).
- Recently the slogan, 'Farm Bureau Proud' has been adopted at the national and state levels. How is your family 'Farm Bureau Proud'?
- If you are pursuing a non-agricultural related field of study, explain why you believe Farm Bureau should consider you for this scholarship.

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# **Washington County Farm Bureau 2024 Scholarship - Reference Letter**

Submit by Friday, April 26

- 1) What is your relationship with the applicant and how long have you known him or her?
- 2) Why is the applicant a good candidate to receive the Washington County Farm Bureau Scholarship?
- 3) Describe how he or she have demonstrated leadership ability both in and out of school.
- 4) Describe his or her most meaningful achievements and how the achievements relate to his or her field of study.



#### INDIVIDUALLY SEND REFERENCE LETTER TO:

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